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# CHATFIELD SENIOR HIGH CHOIR NEWSLETTER

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**MISSION STATEMENT:** The choirs at Chatfield Senior High School strive to instill self-discipline, performance conduct, teamwork, and responsibility in students while inspiring them to discover their connection with singing. In addition to being exposed to various genres and styles of choral literature, students will be provided with an enriching experience in music education that supports the state and district level standards, working to build their skills as musicians. In their musical experiences the Chatfield Senior High School choirs will cultivate the personal and social growth of its members, enforcing their sense of self-esteem, accomplishment, and pride.

## Director's Corner

by Josh Jackson

Greetings! October in the Choir Room is busy, busy, busy! We have had many exciting events happening and we have lots more coming up!

Nine guys represented Chatfield in the Annual JeffCo Men's Choir Festival on Friday September 17th. The festival was held at Ralston Valley High School, where they had the opportunity to sing with 400 guys! They will NEVER have the opportunity to sing in such a large Men's Choir again! It was truly a remarkable experience. The men were directed by Mr. William Taylor from East High School as they prepared two songs to sing all together. Each school then had the opportunity to perform for each other!

Eighteen of our students from Chatfield have been working hard; getting ready to audition for Colorado All State Choir! Students have been coming in before school, after school, and during their lunches to improve their skills. They are doing such a great job and I am excited for them to have a great audition experience! All State Auditions are next Friday October 15th at Smoky Hill High School. Two students (Alee Gorski & Sean Nogrady) also submitted CDs to audition for All State Jazz Choir!

I am VERY pleased to announce that Ms. Jacquelyn Schreiber has been hired to be our Choir Accompanist! Ms. Schreiber is a CSH graduate, and has already been involved with helping the students with events in the past! Ms. Schreiber will be joining us in the Choir Room every two weeks, which allows me to actually *conduct* the students, and not run rehearsal from behind the piano!

I wanted to thank each of you for all of your generous support with our recent fundraiser. We exceeded my hopes and sold around 800 tubs of Cookie Dough! See details on page 2!

Friday, October 1st marked the end of the first six week grading period. Remember that students always have the opportunity to improve their grade in Choir! Questions? Feel free to contact me! I hope to see you at conferences on October 13th & 14th! Our first concert is on Oct. 19th!

## Upcoming Dates

### October 13<sup>th</sup>

CSH Showcase Meeting @ 2:30 PM  
All State Choir Mock Auditions @ 3 PM

### October 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>

Parent/Teacher Conferences

### October 15

All State Auditions in the Evening  
Smoky Hill High School (Aurora)  
*Specific Times Now Available*

### October 19<sup>th</sup>

Dress Rehearsal – All Choirs Practice On Stage during class time. This is an **EXTRA** grade and **required** for performance in the Concert! (Students do not actually need to wear their uniforms!)

### October 19<sup>th</sup>

**7:00 p.m. Choir Concert (Tickets: \$3)**  
**CSH Auditorium**  
**Warm-up time: 5:45 PM**  
**(Required for ALL CHOIRS)**

### October 20th

**Lettering/Awards Ceremony**  
1st Period  
**(Required for CHANTONS)**

### October 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>

Midterm Written & Sight Reading  
Proficiency (In Class)



## Student Corner

by Jack Olin

Several weeks ago, the Chatfield Men's Choir had the privilege of attending the JeffCo Men's Choir Festival, an annual event that gathers the county's men for a day of music and "MAN Jokes!"

Each year, Ralston Valley High School brings in a guest director who leads over four hundred men in several group numbers; this year the mass choir performed "Till the Walls Come Tumblin' Down" (an African-American spiritual) and "Come All Ye Fair and Tender Ladies" (a ballad). While rehearsing these pieces, participants also got the chance to meet boys from other schools. This proves particularly important when considering high school choir is typically dominated by women; participating in a choir of more than four hundred men was a completely new experience for many first-timers, and refreshing for Men's Choir Fest veterans.

After a tasty lunch of pizza and juice, each high school choir performed individually. Chatfield represented its program well with a rousing rendition of "Sixteen Tons." Hopefully the Chatfield Men's Choir will be able to attend the event in future years because it provided a sense of camaraderie among choir men!

## Fundraising Results!

The Cookie Dough fundraiser as a HUGE success! We sold over **800** tubs of Cookie Dough! **Summer Marsh** was our top seller bringing in **48** tubs! Congratulations!



Cookie Dough will be available for pick up towards the end of the month. It is **CRUCIAL** that students take home their tubs of cookie dough **THAT DAY** as they need to be stored in a freezer. With 800 tubs, I cannot store tubs that are not picked up that day! I do not know what day they will be delivered **YET**, but I will soon! Look for more information from your students in the next few weeks. Thanks to everyone for your support!

### Cookie Dough Fundraiser Complete!

Cookie Dough will be available towards the end of October. I will need Students and Parents to help sort through 800 tubs of Cookie Dough! Look for an e-mail if you volunteered! Thanks!

## All State Auditions

Students have been working hard to prepare for their Colorado All State Choir auditions! Congratulations to the following students for representing CSH by auditioning:

**Kate Cruz**  
**Sarah Dubetz**  
**Erin Evans**  
**Elizabeth Fischer**  
**Tamsen Fuller**  
**Alee Gorski**  
**Alex Hosler**  
**Alyssa Jackson**  
**Damian Jonsson**  
**Summer Marsh**  
**Sean Nogrady**  
**Jack Olin**

**Leah Schenkelberg**  
**Laura Stanfel**  
**Kortni Stillwagon**  
**Sarah Suzuki**  
**Katie Updyke**  
**Autumn Van Dyke**

Individual audition times are now available! Look for a letter to be given out **IN CLASS**. So far, all students have indicated that they can drive themselves to **Smoky Hill High School** since we do not have school that day.

Students who do not wish to drive should arrange to carpool. Don't forget to arrive **20 minutes** prior to your audition time to register!

Remember to check out the CSH Choir Website at:

**[www.CSHchoir.org](http://www.CSHchoir.org)**

Need to contact Mr. Jackson?

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## JeffCo Men's Festival

Congratulations to the following students for representing CSH at the JeffCo Men's Festival!

**Spencer Althoff**  
**Josh Beckley**  
**Jack Curzon**  
**Austin Cuthbert**  
**Zach Holt**  
**Damian Jonsson**  
**Jared Nelson**  
**Sean Nogrady**  
**Jack Olin**



Want to hear their arrangement of "Sixteen Tons"? We will be performing it for you at our Fall Concert on October 19th!

